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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004, issued in connection with the above-identified Application, which is now due for response on September 27, 2004, since September 25, 2004 falls on a Saturday, please consider the following remarks.